

## AMENDMENT &amp; RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 - EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

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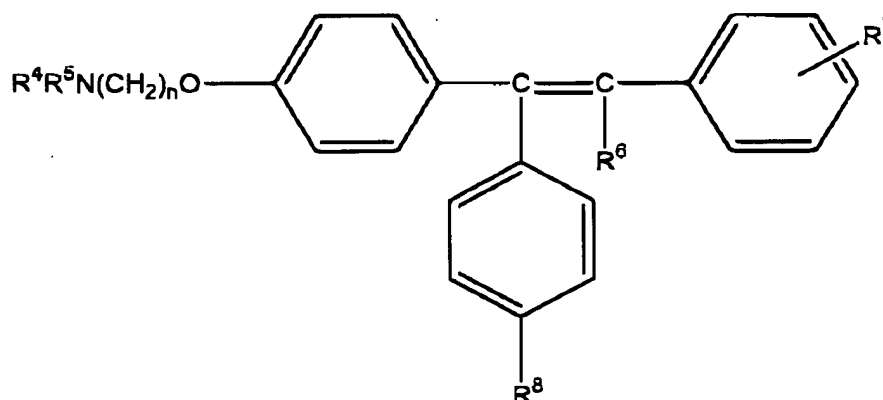
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23. [Once Amended] A method of claim [4] 1, wherein the CLC3 blocker is a compound of Formula I



wherein

either  $R^4$  is H or a lower alkyl radical and  $R^5$  is a lower alkyl radical, or  $R^4$  and  $R^5$  are joined together with the adjacent nitrogen atom to form a heterocyclic radical;

$R^6$  is H or a lower alkyl radical;

$R^7$  is H, halo, OH, a lower alkyl radical, or is a buta-1,3-dienyl radical which together with the adjacent benzene ring forms a naphthyl radical;

$R^8$  is H or OH; and

$n$  is 2;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Support for the amendments to claim 1 is found in the specification at page 13, lines 6-11, Examples 2-3 and Figures 1-3.

Claim 23 is amended to recite proper antecedent basis.